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TITLE OF INVENTION: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR SECURE PRINTING

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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☒ This communication is responsive to 10/6/2003.

☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2-7, 9-18, AND 21-26.

☒ The drawings filed on 11/30/2000 are acceptable as formal drawings.

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the:

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☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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DISCLOSURE TITLE: Method for Automatically Printing Variable Content Labels On-line.

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DISCLOSURE TEXT:

- Trends in product labeling produce labels that, within any one label family, have many similar characteristics, but which have one or more elements that make them unique (for example, a sequence number). The addition of graphics can provide yet more variation in the labels within a family. A label applied to logic assemblies (see Fig. 1) is an example of this label type. Label 1 is applied to logic assemblies 2 and 3 and others not shown. Referring to Fig. 2, each label in this label family contains: 1. A graphic symbol 25 -- to tell the user the position in the system where the logic assembly installs. 2. The logic assembly part number 26 -- which is EC sensitive to a limited degree. 3. The part number of the logic card within the logic assembly 27 -- which will change each time an EC is made to the card. 4. A unique sequence number 28 -- comprised of the plant of manufacture, the job number, the last digit of the year of manufacture, and a three-digit unique sequence number. The sequence number must match that of the logic card. 5. The assembly feature code number 29 -- which is keyed to the type of logic assembly. 6. Special text messages 30 -- which appear on some, but not all, labels. - Items 26, 27, 28, and 29 appear in both human- and machine-readable form. - It becomes clear after inspection of the required information on these labels that preprinting is an impossibility. - Labels of this type are most effectively printed on-line and on demand at the assembly workstation on an all-points-addressable printer capable of reproducing graphics. An individualized logic assembly label is printed when a "trigger", in this case a bar code on the card in the logic assembly to be labeled, is scanned with a bar code reader. Printing begins automatically and immediately and is completed within the build cycle of the logic assembly. - Attributes of the print system used to create and print multi-format labels of this and other types are: 1. A menu-driven label design package for use by untrained operators. 2 A menu-driven label package aimed at manufacturing. 3. An automatic digitizing method that eliminates hand digitizing of graphic data including: a. Program utilities which take any graphic from a graphic capable terminal and convert it to a bitmap. - b. Acceptance of input from sources other than graphic terminals (i.e., optical scanners). - c. The ability to automatically digitize graphics, alphabetic or numeric characters, or symbols either singly or in groups. - d. The ability to automatically digitize portions of or the entire field of a particular label or

other electronic drawing. 4. A data transmission method to eliminate hard-copy movement of label data from development to manufacturing including: a. Release of an entire label or portions thereof in a fully digitized dataset and ultimate storage of the dataset in the local Manufacturing Control System (MCS) or storage of the dataset directly in a look-up table in a Personal Computer at the label print workstation. - b. Use of a "MIF" (Microcode Image Format) as the dataset format. The MIF is one of a number of standard formats used for encoding data; but is not typically used for the storage of graphic data or label images. Information other than label data can be included in the MIF for different purposes. - c. Inclusion of the MIF on the logic card Bill-of-Material (BOM), or the BOM of any other assembly to be labeled and a cross reference table in the computer program to identify the correct MIF when the assembly part number is scanned. - d. A subroutine in the label print program which searches the MIF files to find the correct digitized label image for the card assembly being built. 5. The ability to selectively print on a substrate with multiple die cuts including: a. The digitizing of all individual labels in a group of labels as if they were a single label. Since all labels in a label group are originally drawn in the correct position relative to their neighbors, correct positioning is guaranteed. - b. The use of either a standard preprinted aiming point (cross- hairs) or the intersection of label die cuts for visual or electronic alignment of the substrate to the printer. This determines the location of the first print element (the remainder being controlled by the printer carriage control). 6. Print options including: a. Capability to select different printers depending on the resolution needs of the label via menus. - b. Capability of the digitizing system to produce a bitmap that is customized to the resolution (dot spacing) of the printer selected. - c. The ability to easily change the bitmap to other pel spacings to take advantage of printers with different resolutions. - d. The ability to select different printer types (ink jet, laser, etc.) to take advantage of their print process characteristics for different applications. - e. The ability to modify the digitization of any portion of a label such that not every dot in the pattern will be printed. - - To allow reproduction of shaded or photographic graphics. - - To allow reduction of the amount of ink build-up on the substrate, minimizing "smudging" when the label is handled. 7. Computer Integrated Manufacturing (CIM) activities including (but not limited to): a. Producing an on-line routing and BOM visible on a PC for the operator; encoding this information as part of the MIF data so that it is accessed directly and displayed when the label print trigger is activated. - b. Inventory control and parts ordering. By counting labels as they are printed, inventory levels of blank labels can be tracked and automatically ordered at a preset depletion level. - c. Expansion of process control functions. - Additional function, such as the prevention of bypass of logic card testers, may also be added. 8. The ability to extend this method of on-line printing to printed matter other than labels including: a. User guides and other manuals custom-printed with information relating only to the specific features ordered by the customer. - b. Customized pack/unpack instructions, similar to the above. - c. Customized routings for use on the assembly floor, tailored exactly to the configuration being built. - d. Shipping and distribution information. - The program used to print these labels is described below. - Printing of multiple variable format labels on-line requires a computer program operating in a CIM (Computer Integrated Manufacturing) environment that will: 1. Operate in a virtually automatic mode. 2. Recognize and use a "trigger" to begin the label print operation. 3. Use that "trigger" to decide which label to print. 4. Have the capability to handle data used to print labels with varying formats of graphics, text, and bar codes.. 5. Have the capability to handle incremental serial or sequence number information. 6. Assemble the required information on the correct label from data stored remotely (bar code characters are treated as graphics and are individually stored in program look-up tables). 7. Initiate the printing of the label itself on demand. 8. Have feedback capability to provide verification that the correct label has been printed. 9. Uses corporate and/or industry standard data transmission and storage mechanisms. 10. Be flexible enough to be used on a wide variety of label types having differing information or may be easily modified to meet other requirements.

- The program flow diagram for logic card assembly labeling is shown in Fig. 3. Some modification may be needed to accommodate other assembly types. - During the reading of the label MIF (reference the flow chart), the program software looks for type 2 MIF header records. The type 2 header records for label printing are defined as follows: 1. Card name 2. Assembly feature number 3. Card part number (for verification) 4. Assembly part number 5. Mechanical build group bill of material part number 6. Others (presently not used, but held for future needs) The data from these records is read and stored in variables in the code. Also in the MIF read process, the digitized graphic data is read and stored in memory--the height and width data is imbedded in MIF type 3 records. - Card assembly build is typically job oriented. The program is designed such that at the start of assembly of a particular job, the operator indicates that a new job is to be started and scans a bar code (with serial number information) attached to the first logic card in the job. MCS is accessed and the block of serial numbers assigned to the job is brought into storage at the workstation. The part number of the cards in the job is also stored. To print the label for the next, and all successive assemblies in the job, that card bar code is scanned and the part number and serial number are cross checked with the stored part number and serial number block: a card from another job or a card with a different part number will be flagged as one not matching the job in process and no label will be printed. - To print the label, the graphic data is printed using standard graphic printer bit map printing algorithms. The height of the graphic (as read from MIF type 3 records) is used to calculate how many printer line feeds are necessary to position the printer to begin printing the defined bar code/text data. The start point for all printing is defined as a datum at the top left corner of the label substrate. The first bar code/text field is referenced from the same datum and is hard coded into the program. All succeeding bar code/ text fields are referenced from the first bar code/text field; the number of line feeds for these fields are also coded into the program. Note that this method defines the program for a single use: that of printing labels 1 in Fig. 1. To generalize the program

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TITLE: PRINTING SYSTEM AND CONTROL METHOD THEREFOR

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ABSTRACT:

PURPOSE: To save time and memory contents which are needed for downloading external characters by identifying external characters contained in input code strings, deciding whether the external characters are registered or not, and registering them, if not registered.

CONSTITUTION: If a user creates external character data for a certain character code and sends a data flow which is a character code string containing the character code to CPU 1's printer driver, in the first place, the first character code of the data flow of text is read. Then search is made as to whether the same character code as the read character code exists in a registration file. If the answer is yes, decision is made as to if a registered flag is on in the registration file of the external character data. If the flag is off, the external character data are read in the external character registration file, and registered in a printer 6 as a character for the current character code.

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DETAILED ACTION

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. This is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. The closest prior art Custy et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 5,774,879) discloses an integrated data processing system which comprises an execution control processor that itself comprises a security processor and data base processor. Bidirectional communication with a printer is provided through a print processor to provide for the secure printing of financial instruments.

Takashima Keiichi et al discloses a printing system for creating external character data for a certain character code and sends a data flow which is a character code string containing the character code to CPU 1's printer driver.

However, neither Custy nor Takashima Keiichi et al. singularly or in combination fail to anticipate or render obvious the recited features:

As per claims 1, 11, and 15 " a user interface configured to communicate with the workstation, said user interface having a secured-disable mode and a secure-enable mode such that, in said secure-enable mode, the workstation is enabled to receive the first coding information, and in the secure-disable mode, the workstation is enabled to transmit print data to the printer for printing and the printer prints the print data without receiving the first coding information and the first code entry device and without receiving the second coding information at the second code entry device".

CONCLUSION

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